

REMARKS

Applicant has carefully reviewed and considered the Office Action mailed on March 17, 2005 and the references cited therewith.

Objections to the Specification

The specification was objected to on page 2, lines 22 and 23 as well as on page 11, line 2. Corrections have been made to the Specification as per the suggestions made on page 2 of the Official Office Action. It is respectfully requested that, due to the revisions to the specification, the Objection to the Specification be withdrawn.

Objections to the Claims

Claims 1-26 are objected to because of certain informalities listed on page 2 of the Official Office Action. Claims 1, 13, 15, 21 and 40 have revised as suggested in the Official Office Action, and is therefore respectfully requested that the Objection to these claims be withdrawn.

Claim 27 has been cancelled, negating the need to revise this claim.

Claims 36-39 have been further revised to clarify that each of these claims is directed to protecting the steps of a method invention.

Rejections to the Claims

Claims 1-26 and 36-41 have been allowed. Claims 27-35 stand rejected under one or more of the referenced patents. By this response, Claims 27-35 are hereby cancelled.

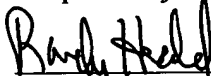
CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that a Notice of Allowability be issued for the remaining claims 1-26 and 36-41, respectively.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's Representatives at direct dial (321) 867-7214 if there are any questions regarding this Response or if prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

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